

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3905
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MANUFACTURING OF TENDER COCONUT CONCENTRATE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that at an international meet of the Asian and Pacific Coconut Community (APCC), the representatives of some soft drink companies have sought the support of the Coconut Development Board for manufacturing tender coconut concentrate;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereon; and
- (c) the manner in which the agreement is likely to be beneficial to the coconut growers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) to (c): Madam, no official discussions were held between the representatives of soft drink companies and the Coconut Development Board regarding support for manufacturing tender coconut concentrate.